

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended): A method comprising:
receiving identifying information for at least one recipient telephone customer account;
receiving an indication of a feature to be transferred from a transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account;
transferring the feature from the transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account based on an exchange rate, wherein the feature includes at least one of a call waiting, call forwarding, [[and]] enhanced voice mail service, and a number of call minutes, and wherein the exchange rate specifies a first value for the feature in the at least one recipient telephone customer account and a second value for the feature in the transferring telephone customer account, and wherein a value difference between the first value and the second value is applied to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.
2. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the step of receiving the indication of the feature includes a step of:
receiving the indication of the feature as a menu choice.
3. (Currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein the identifying information includes a distribution list corresponding to accounts from the at least one recipient telephone customer account, and wherein the distribution list allows for a shared transfer of a same feature among accounts corresponding to the distribution list.
4. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the identifying information includes a telephone number.
5. (Original): The method of claim 4, wherein the telephone number corresponds to a mobile telephone.

6. (Canceled)
7. (Currently amended): The method of claim [[6]] 1, wherein the number of call minutes include local call minutes are transferred on a periodic basis.
8. (Currently amended): The method of claim [[6]] 1, wherein the number of call minutes include mobile airtime minutes.
9. (Currently amended): The method of claim [[6]] 1, wherein the number of call minutes include long distance minutes.
10. (Canceled)
11. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising:
sending a notification to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.
12. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising:
receiving one of an acceptance and a rejection from the at least one recipient telephone customer account.
13. (Currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein the transferring telephone customer account is associated with a first telephone service provider and the at least one recipient telephone customer account includes a telephone customer account that is associated with a second telephone service provider, and wherein the first telephone service provider has an exchange rate agreement with the second telephone service provider to allow transfer of the feature.
14. (Currently amended): A computer program product in a computer-readable medium comprising instructions for:
receiving identifying information for at least one recipient telephone customer account;

receiving an indication of a feature to be transferred from a transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account;

transferring the feature from the transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account based on an exchange rate, wherein the feature includes at least one of a call waiting, call forwarding, [[and]] enhanced voice mail service, and a number of call minutes, and wherein the exchange rate specifies a first value for the feature in the at least one recipient telephone customer account and a second value for the feature in the transferring telephone customer account, and wherein a value difference between the first value and the second value is applied to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.

15. (Original): The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the instructions for receiving the indication of the feature include instructions for:

receiving the indication of the feature as a menu choice.

16. (Currently amended): The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the identifying information includes a distribution list corresponding to accounts from the at least one recipient telephone customer account, and wherein the distribution list allows for a shared transfer of a same feature among accounts corresponding to the distribution list.

17. (Original): The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the identifying information includes a telephone number.

18. (Original): The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the telephone number corresponds to a mobile telephone.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[19]]~~ 14, wherein the number of call minutes include local call minutes are transferred on a periodic basis.

21. (Currently amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[19]]~~ 14, wherein the number of call minutes include mobile airtime minutes.
22. (Currently amended): The computer program product of claim ~~[[19]]~~ 14, wherein the number of call minutes include long distance minutes.
23. (Canceled)
24. (Original): The computer program product of claim 14, comprising additional instructions for:
 sending a notification to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.
25. (Original): The computer program product of claim 14, comprising additional instructions for:
 receiving one of an acceptance and a rejection from the at least one recipient telephone customer account.
26. (Currently amended): The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the transferring telephone customer account is associated with a first telephone service provider and the at least one recipient telephone customer account includes a telephone customer account that is associated with a second telephone service provider, and wherein the first telephone service provider has an exchange rate agreement with the second telephone service provider to allow transfer of the feature.
27. (Currently amended): A data processing system comprising:
 a bus system;
 a processing unit including at least one processor; and
 a memory containing a set of instructions,
 wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to perform the acts of:
 receiving identifying information for at least one recipient telephone customer

account;

receiving an indication of a feature to be transferred from a transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account;

transferring the feature from the transferring telephone customer account to the at least one recipient telephone customer account based on an exchange rate, wherein the feature includes at least one of a call waiting, call forwarding, [[and]] enhanced voice mail service, and a number of call minutes, and wherein the exchange rate specifies a first value for the feature in the at least one recipient telephone customer account and a second value for the feature in the transferring telephone customer account, and wherein a value difference between the first value and the second value is applied to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.

28. (Original): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the act of receiving the indication of the feature includes the act of:

receiving the indication of the feature as a menu choice.

29. (Currently amended): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the identifying information includes a distribution list corresponding to accounts from the at least one recipient telephone customer account, and wherein the distribution list allows for a shared transfer of a same feature among accounts corresponding to the distribution list.

30. (Original): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the identifying information includes a telephone number.

31. (Original): The data processing system of claim 30, wherein the telephone number corresponds to a mobile telephone.

32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently amended): The data processing system of claim [[32]] 27, wherein the number of call minutes include local call minutes are transferred on a periodic basis.

34. (Currently amended): The data processing system of claim [[32]] 27, wherein the number of call minutes include mobile airtime minutes.

35. (Currently amended): The data processing system of claim [[32]] 27, wherein the number of call minutes include long distance minutes.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Original): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to perform the additional acts of:

 sending a notification to the at least one recipient telephone customer account.

38. (Original): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to perform the additional acts of:

 receiving one of an acceptance and a rejection from the at least one recipient telephone customer account.

39. (Currently amended): The data processing system of claim 27, wherein the transferring telephone customer account is associated with a first telephone service provider and the at least one recipient telephone customer account includes a telephone customer account that is associated with a second telephone service provider, and wherein the first telephone service provider has an exchange rate agreement with the second telephone service provider to allow transfer of the feature.